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Another SR dog poisoning



George McGill and neighbor Pamela McVey ponder the rash of dog poisoning in their neighborhood. McVey is holding her dog "Tiny" which replaces the first dog that was found dead.

PHOTO BY MIKE MACOR

SAN RAMON — Another case of apparent dog poisoning by strychnine struck the Mangos Drive neighborhood over the weekend.

It is the fifth such incident during the past five months in a two block radius according to residents there.

This time, two dogs owned by George McGill were victims of a poisoning.

"It wasn't an accidental poisoning," said McGill's veterinarian Dr. William Evans of Parkway Veterinarian Hospital in Dublin. "Based on the clinical signs of one dog's convulsions there is some indication of strychnine poisoning," Evans said.

"And, somebody must have gone through some trouble to get their hands

on it," Evans added, "since strychnine is not available to the public."

One of McGill's dogs, a Keeshound, was treated and is recovering from the poison. The other dog — a Manchester Terrier/Brittany spaniel — was still under sedation late yesterday.

The first case of such poisoning occurred to a dog owned by McGill's neighbor, Pamela McVey. Her dog was found dead on her front lawn five months ago.

Another dog owned by Ron Gonzales of the same neighborhood was treated at Glory Dodd Animal Clinic in San Ramon. It cost Gonzales nearly \$200 to save his dog which died later of a second strychnine attack.

"The source of the poisoning is unknown," Dr. Evans said, "since the dogs were allowed to run free. That's why we need a leash law in Contra Costa County."

Of the five cases of strychnine poisoning in that neighborhood only one owner had his dogs confined to the yard.

According to Lt. Peter Robertshaw of Contra Costa County Sheriff's Department, it is a misdemeanor to poison animals.

McGill did file a report to the sheriff's department and Robertshaw said his office plans to follow up on the report and go to the District Attorney to file a complaint if there are any leads.

Home costs will rise

Builders not shaken by school fees

SAN RAMON — Developers building houses in San Ramon are not being scared off by a new Contra Costa County ordinance requiring them to pay a \$300 fee to help finance temporary school facilities in areas where overcrowding exists.

The ordinance implements a state law (SB-201) which became effective Jan. 1.

Land can be dedicated in lieu of the fee or a combination of land/fee

can be arranged under the new ordinance.

Supervisor Eric Hasseltine said the \$300 fee would be required for every bedroom after the first bedroom. A maximum of \$900 could be charged per unit, he added.

Hasseltine is supervisor of the county's fifth district, which includes San Ramon. He and other supervisors voted in the new ordinance last week.

A spokesman for Shapell Industries of Northern California, Inc. declared the fee "a poor way to go to get schools built." He said all builders could do is tack the added cost onto the price of the house.

On a four-bedroom home, an additional \$1000 will have to be added onto the house price to absorb the fee."

He said Shapell would probably donate a 10-acre site to the San Ra-

mon Valley School District when a proposed subdivision called "Inverness" went in east of Montevideo. The tract, slated to begin in two months, will have 305 single family houses, the spokesman said. He reported Shapell was already allowing the school district to use the 10-acre site for portables. He added that Shapell would not "back-off" from

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New Blood

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Raise for everyone

Everyone on the Livermore City Council will get the raise in salary approved by the council on Dec. 30.

Originally, City Attorney Gary Reiners informed the members the raise from \$200 to \$292 per month would go to only the three members elected March 7. The two incumbent councilmembers, Marshall Kamen and Glen Dahlbacka, would receive the old salary until after the 1980 election, he said.

Reiners later quietly revised the interpretation of the salary question, and said the raise will be effective following the election for all members of the city council.

Picking a school chief

The final "community in-put" session in the initial process towards seeking a new superintendent will be held tonight at Dublin High School library at 8.

Residents of the Amador and Pleasanton school districts are encouraged to attend tonight's brief meeting and present their views on what qualities the new superintendent should possess. Dr. Bruce Newlin will leave the district Feb. 10 to assume the superintendency of the Norwalk-La Mirada Unified School District.

One more kink in the pipeline

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'Irresponsible'

Mori's blast for Jarvis tax initiative

"The Jarvis-Gann tax reform initiative is the most fiscally-irresponsible measure to come before the electorate in many a year," Assemblyman Floyd Mori has charged.

Speaking at the installation dinner of the Amador and Pleasanton classified employees Saturday night in Dublin, Mori said that "If the Jarvis-Gann amendment is passed this June and becomes effective July 1, you and I know what will be the first services to go — school, food and clerical services."

Mori said he was hopeful of the legislature opening the lid to \$1 billion in property tax relief in the next few months and a new retirement benefits measure for school classified employees by March 1.

The controversial Jarvis amendment asks that the maximum amount of any ad valorem tax on real property not exceed 1 per cent of the full cash value of such property. The 1 per cent tax would be collected by the counties and apportioned according to law to the districts within the counties.

"Full cash value" means the county assessor's valuation of real property as shown on the 1975-76 tax bill under "full cash value," or thereafter, the appraised value of real property when purchased, newly constructed, or a change in ownership has occurred after the 1975 assessment.

Mori devoted much of his talk to the effort being made to bring a new retirement benefits bill forward for Gov. Edmund G. Brown, Jr.'s signature. "While the contribution of school employees remains at 7 per cent compared to just 5 per cent for state employees, the latter's benefits are more."

Mori referred to an override effort on a previous bill that Gov. Brown vetoed. But a new bill in the hopper, also related to school classified employee benefits, is being pushed by Mori. He and other legislators have a mid-February date with Brown to insure permanent funding for a retirement bill.

The Pleasanton legislator said Speaker Leo McCarthy is supporting the new school employees bill and he (Mori) is working with California School Employees Association lobbyist Richard Ritz to put the new bill across before recess of the current session.

Also speaking to the 50 or so classified employees at the annual installation was Ruth Sullivan of San Leandro, state chairperson for the Political Action for Classified Employees (PACE).

Mrs. Sullivan gave a hard-hitting speech, urging school classified employees to work harder for legislation.

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Floyd Mori

Five bid for Murray board spot

Five Murray School District residents are in the running for the school board position vacated by Bob Foster.

The district introduced the five who had submitted resumes by 10 a.m. yesterday and then opened the meeting last night at Murray School in Dublin to presentations by each.

Candidates to succeed Foster are John C. Bird, 8630 Briarwood Ln., Dublin; Linda Cooley, 6730 Menlo Ct., Pleasanton; G.T. McCormick, 7170 Emerald Ave., Dublin; David Melander, 7988 Limewood Ct., Pleasanton, and Harry Molz, 7752 Fredericksen Ln., Dublin.

Mrs. Cooley and Molz ran in the last election that saw Donald Biddle elected to the board and Linda Jeffery reelected.

At last night's special meeting, applicants addressed the board and audience regarding their backgrounds and educational philosophies. Each was asked to respond to questions from the audience.

Present board members will interview selected candidates at their regular meeting Monday, Feb. 6.

An appointment to complete Foster's term which continues through March of 1979, will be made on or before Feb. 14.

The appointed individual remains a provisional appointee for 30 days. Any person(s) objecting to the appointment may file a petition with the County Superintendent of Schools within 30 days after the announcement. Upon receipt of a valid petition the county superintendent will order an election. Further information regarding this process may be had by calling the county superintendent's office in Hayward.

Foster resigned two weeks ago to take a store director position with Mervyn's at a new branch in Corona, Riverside County.

Present board members include Pete Snyder, Ann Henderson, Mrs. Jeffery and Biddle.

Lindgren affair criticism

Candidates take on Parness

LIVERMORE — Nearly two weeks after the sudden resignation of Police Chief Ron Lindgren, reaction from city council candidates still indicates many are not happy with the way the situation was handled by City Manager Bill Parness.

Incumbent Dale Turner indicated he has questions he would like Parness to answer about the procedure and he will be asking them at the next city council meeting Monday. "Mr. Parness has placed me in a very awkward position by not informing me of the now public investigation until it had been completed," he said.

"Mr. Parness was wrong, in my opinion, not to inform me, one of his employers, immediately upon receiving information that there were serious problems within the police department. To conduct an investigation without my knowledge is just totally unacceptable."

He cited the action to hire an investigator as a "unilateral decision by the city manager."

Another candidate, Marlin Ebert, noted that "my heart goes out to Chief Lindgren because it would appear that his career as a police official is in serious jeopardy. But he is an adult and responsible for his actions."

Ebert continued, "My head tells me that the way it has been handled, and is being handled, by City Manager Parness and Mayor Tirrell and

Feb. 10

Another look at Vallecitos

An independent arm of the federal Nuclear Regulatory Commission will consider a seismic reevaluation of the Vallecitos Nuclear Center near Sunol Feb. 10.

The Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards will discuss recent licensing and operating experience of the General Electric Test Reactor (GETR) at the public meeting.

The 50-megawatt reactor was shut down Oct. 27 when the NRC found evidence that a possible earthquake fault came within 200 feet of it. GE claims the land activity is simply a landslide.

More than 60 persons were laid off in December as a result of the shutdown. GE spokesman Randy Watkins yesterday said many of these people were temporarily placed in jobs within other GE divisions locally; several others had quit, he added.

GE is awaiting word from the NRC on whether it will be allowed to reopen the reactor. GETR produces several types of radioisotopes used in nuclear medicine.

The NRC is currently studying two plans for modifications at the Sunol facility proposed by GE. One proposal deals with modifications to ensure the facility's safety in case of an earthquake assuming a fault exists; the other proposal assumes there is no nearby fault.

Watkins said it was unclear whether GE would send local representatives to the Washington, D.C. gathering because of the meeting's limited time.

Rap Sheet

Goods worth \$13,000 taken

DUBLIN — More than \$13,000 in office equipment and tools was stolen from two Scarlett Court businesses sometime Saturday, the sheriff's department reported.

Burglars cut a fence, broke door glass, cut through chain with a torch and forced open interior doors to enter Dublin Drywall Co. at 6345 Scarlett Court and York Welding Supply at 6343 Scarlett Court, officers said.

Once inside Dublin Drywall Co., burglars took five calculators, air spray equipment, an electric typewriter and other equipment with a total value of \$11,424.

York Welding Supply was entered via an adjacent window. Three calculators, cash and acetylene torch gear valued at \$2,020 were reported missing.

Deputies found evidence indicating that the burglars wore gloves while committing the thefts. The burglaries are being investigated.

LIVERMORE — Burglars entered an unlocked Lee Avenue residence Friday and took an estimated \$2,500 in valuables, police reported.

After opening the large garage door and entering an unlocked interior access door, burglars conducted a thorough room by room ransacking of the house. Missing items include a color television, sterling silver set, toolbox, jewelry, camera and coins.

Neighbors reported seeing a vehicle in front of the house Friday. The burglary is being investigated.

LIVERMORE — A driver who knocked down two dozen orange street pylons while yelling at a street repair crew on Airway Boulevard Friday apparently tried to run down one worker who jumped on his motorcycle in pursuit of the car, police reported.

According to reports, the man drove by with his door open knocking down the cones while assaulting the street crew. He drove away at a high rate of speed.

One worker jumped on his motorcycle and pulled alongside the man, ordering him to pull over. Instead the vehicle swerved left forcing the cyclist to take evasive action, and then spun around and drove right at the him, police said, forcing the cyclist off the roadway.

Police are tracing the license number of the suspect vehicle.

LIVERMORE — A Holmes Street resident unloading his camper late Saturday narrowly missed being struck by a bullet that hit the open camper door just behind him, police reported.

The man told officers he drove around but could find no suspects. Police said the gunshot, apparently from a .22-caliber weapon, came from the nearby arroyo area.

The man had previously reported threats to his life. The incident is under investigation.

PLEASANTON — A car parked on Mohr Avenue near Santa Rita Road was burglarized of \$422 in goods Friday, police reported.

Burglars forced their way into the vehicle and removed two stereo amplifiers a tap and a tuner/tape deck combination, police said. There are no suspects.

LIVERMORE — A mail carrier walking her route on Wall Street Friday morning was the victim of a man who exposed himself while seated in a parked car, police reported.

The woman continued delivering mail to the end of the block and then called police. Police questioned a suspect but no arrests were made.

LIVERMORE — Persons unknown broke into the California Highway Patrol truck scales office on Interstate 580 near Greenville Road Saturday — and left officers a thank-you note.

Officers noted the door had been pried open and discovered a note when they entered the office located on the westbound side.



Niles Canyon tragedy

A 23-year-old Fremont man was killed when his vehicle went out of control and collided head-on with a truck on Niles Canyon Boulevard yesterday morning. A highway patrol spokesman said Joe Dale Gilstrap Jr., 23, was driving westbound about 8:45 a.m. when he tried to pass another car. He apparently realized he did not have enough room to pass so put on his

brakes and lost control of his car. The car traveled into the eastbound lanes and the two vehicles collided. Truck driver Ken Russell, 59, of Concord was treated for minor cuts. Traffic was slowed for three hours while workmen attempted to remove the wreckage.

Home projects will go on

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building in this area due to the fee which he said had been raised from \$225 to \$288 and now to \$300.

A Broadmoor representative said the new fee increase forces builders to be tax collectors and "nobody likes to be a tax collector."

"But we aren't going to change our game plan," he continued. He said the decision on whether to donate the fee or land or a combination depended on each development's characteristics.

Broadmoor's Country Club project off of Crow Canyon Road has 849 houses scheduled to be built. The buildings include single family detached units, zero-lot-line units plus some townhouses, accord-

ing to their spokesman.

Carl Dame said the fee raise was "something we just can't worry about. The raise isn't a surprise. We have expected it for quite awhile. I don't know what kind of effect it will have."

Dame's Twin Creeks South development has three phases encompassing three developments. A total of 154 houses is slated for the enterprise.

L.T. Gunn, administrative services officer for Contra Costa County Building Inspection Department, said 3,822 building permits had been taken out during the calendar year 1977 for single family dwellings in unincorporated areas.

He said 75 per cent of those permits were for San Ramon. by Sue Vogelsanger

Parness hit

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David Eller said, "There's a cloud over the city which, from outward appearances it seems could have been handled differently. There are enough people who feel that it was not handled right by Mr. Parness and the city council. Mr. Parness could have handled it in a better way, and the council people must remain independent of the city officials."

He emphasized that it's hard for an outsider to know all the facts, "but the people have a right to know what is going on."

Another candidate, Bob Weissel, echoed Turner's comments, noting, "It's about time this town woke up to what Parness is doing. I said what Dale is saying three weeks ago and lost a promotion over it."

— by Connie Rux

CARD's new move to stall pipeline

PLEASANTON — The CARD Committee is taking on new strategy in the 30-member group's fight to stop the Livermore/Amador Valley Waste Water Agency's pipeline.

Yesterday CARD launched an attack on the pipeline environmental impact statement completed over two years ago, claiming the pipeline design has changed, thus the EIS is invalid.

CARD spokesperson Birdie Bianchi also revealed the group has gathered 6,100 signatures in its drive to put a valley-wide initiative on the ballot seeking voter approval or denial of the pipeline.

The group needed 5,000 signatures to qualify the initiative.

CARD will take the petitions to LAVWMA authorities this week, but the earliest the initiative could get on the ballot would be in June. And LAVWMA could still delay the initiative, claiming it is directed towards an administrative, not a policy, action.

With the initiative in doubt, CARD wrote the federal Environmental Protection Agency yesterday, asking regional administrator Paul DeFalco to place the moratorium on the LAVWMA pipeline.

CARD argues that a change in pipeline design increasing pipe size by six inches could increase the pipeline's capacity by 44 percent. The pipeline is eventually planned to have a maximum 15.6 million gallons a day in capacity. But CARD fears the larger pipes might allow LAVWMA to go over the maximum without voter approval.

CARD's letter to DeFalco notes, "... the LAVWMA joint powers agreement are not binding, because the joint powers agreement can and will be changed when it suits the purpose of the local agencies.

"Since the project has been substantially changed, since the final EIS was prepared, and these changes would substantially worsen the secondary impacts, i.e. air pollution, we request that a supplemental EIS be prepared," the letter continues.

— by Jayne Garrison

Valley obituaries

Vere Roher

Vere H. Roher, an 83-year-old Livermore resident, died in a local hospital Saturday.

The native of Missouri worked for 50 years as a barber.

He is survived by his wife, Dorothy, and his daughter, Nancy Lostin, both of Livermore. He also leaves behind one cousin, Florence King of Washington and three granddaughters.

No services will be held. The family prefers memorial contributions to the Kidney Foundation of Southern Alameda County. Arrangements were made by Livermore Mortuary.

Richard Tinsley

Private services are planned for Richard N. Tinsley.

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They're taking the bus again

Though foggy and cold in the Valley yesterday, some commuters here had reason to rejoice. Local BART customers could once again leave the driving to someone else and take the free feeder bus service to its stations in Hayward and Walnut Creek resumed yesterday morning after AC Transit workers returned to work following settlement of their 68-day strike Saturday. AC operates the express lines under



BART's feeder bus service to its stations in Hayward and Walnut Creek resumed yesterday morning after AC Transit workers returned to work following settlement of their 68-day strike Saturday. AC operates the express lines under

contract with BART and the walkout stranded 1,500 regular customers.

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CARD still has hope

PLEASANTON — CARD spokesperson Birdie Bianchi believes the 30-member group still has a good chance of stopping the valley's waste water export pipeline, despite contrary comments by CARD member Ray Kidder.

Kidder said last week that CARD had little chance to stop the LAVWMA pipeline, unless immediate court action is taken.

"I don't feel that way. That's his opinion, but it's not CARD's," said Bianchi.

Kidder was quoted as saying the fact that the initiative petition seeking to stop the pipeline missed the March 7 ballot might kill CARD's drive.

Not so, according to spokesperson Bianchi, who still believes CARD can begin court action to halt the pipeline until the initiative gets on the ballot, probably in June.

The CARD initiative seeks to force the pipeline issue back before the voters for approval or denial. Pleasanton voters approved a similar pipeline proposal a year ago November, but other valley voters turned it down.

The initiative missed the March 7 ballot because it applies to all three valley governments, but there is no election scheduled in the Dublin, San Ramon Services District until June.

Aid for kids' meals

Valley Child Care has announced beginning this month it would aid in certification of families seeking to participate in the federal WIC program; a food, health and nutrition program.

The WIC system uses vouchers to allow purchase of milk, cereal, eggs, cheese, formula and fruit juices by families living in the Valley, needing nutritional support, having children under the age of five years or with an expectant mother and economically qualify by earning less than \$888 for a family of four or \$722 for a family of three.

WIC services will be explained by an evaluation team at a Feb. 15 meeting a Valley Child Care, 1520 Catalina Court, Livermore, from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.

For further information call Valley Child Care, 455-5111 or WIC representative Shiley Fairbrother, 462-2365.

Swim programs under way

DUBLIN — Free of charge winter aquatics programs are in progress at Valley Community Swim Center.

The water is 80 degrees and dressing areas are heated.

This activity is sponsored by the Dublin San Ramon Services District Recreation Department.

Lap swimming is available Monday through Friday from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and 7 to 8 p.m.

Lap swimming can also be practiced Saturday and Sunday from noon to 1 p.m.

Recreational swimming is on Saturday and Sunday from noon to 4 p.m.

Lessons in swimming, diving, scuba diving, exercising and much more are available. There are activities for adults, children and teens.

For further information call 828-7711.

Ski schools open

The Livermore Area Recreation and Park District will begin its second session of beginner ski schools Wednesday, Jan. 30. The session will continue Feb. 1, 7 and 8, and costs \$17 for the course.

The course is conducted on artificial snow by Bob Rodriguez. Students 14 years and older may attend. For more information call LARP at 447-7300.

Shot clinic in SR

SAN RAMON — A Contra Costa County Health Department Immunization Clinic will be held at the Family Medical Center Thursday.

Immunization against polio, diphtheria, whooping cough, tetanus and measles will be offered. A German Measles vaccine will also be available for ages 1 to 12. Smallpox vaccination, no longer routinely recommended, is also available for those who need it for special circumstances.

Children 13 years of age and under must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian. An adult bringing a child other than his own must present written consent signed by the child's parent or guardian. Those persons 14 to 17 years old may either be accompanied by a parent or guardian, or bring written consent.

The immunization clinic will be held Thursday from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. at the Family Medical Center, 9260 Alcosta Blvd.

First aid taught in Pleasanton

PLEASANTON — The Emergency Response Program is offering a course in American Red Cross First Aid training this Wednesday and Thursday from 6 to 10 p.m.

Students should be 13 years or older and can register at the recreation department offices, 200 Bernal Avenue. Course and materials fee is \$6.50.

An open community meeting is also scheduled for Monday, Feb. 6, at 7:30 p.m. in the Cultural Arts building on Black Avenue. The meeting is free and the topics to be discussed include smoke alarms, emergency numbers, first aid practices and family emergency plans.

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She likes the risks, thinks they've paid off

LIVERMORE — The city still faces problems — and challenges — in the years ahead. And council members always will receive criticism from some area, no matter what they do. But incumbent Mayor Helen Tirsell says, "Looking ahead 20 to 30 years, we feel we've laid the groundwork for good

things to happen." Tirsell is running for re-election with the same candor that marked her years on the council and planning commission. "I am a person who chooses to risk and I like a challenge," she says firmly. "I recognize the risks of local government and for me, so far, as a person, the advantages have outweighed the detriments."

She talks of the people she represents. "On people issues, I think you have to be very intuitive about what people are telling you and what they mean. For instance, silence from your constituents can be read a lot of ways. You have to pursue that and find out why they are silent."

She hasn't found being a woman in politics a source of criticism. "I think, however, that because I'm a woman, I fall into a mental set for a lot of people. I had some very early editorials written about me as the 'crusty female' and the 'bra burner.'"

On finances: "I feel we

have failed us," she reflects. The bickering about who will become the next mayor has been a continuous situation, she says.

"People who are elected officials would like to be mayor," says Tirsell. "It takes a person with an ego, who is aggressive and articulate, who has good ideas to get to the council in the first place. Why would you expect them not to want to be the one person who is in charge at the meeting?"

But she has seen in her

work as a city official that

those mayors who are

elected have more stature

because of their tenure in

those areas outside of their

cities, at other government

levels. She says they do

a better job for their towns

in those agencies."

It would diminish the

role of the other four coun-

cil members publicly, to

some degree, she says, but

it can't be determined at

this point the overall effect.

Tirsell concludes philo-

sophically, "I've thought it

over and I can sleep well at

night. We tried to proceed

judiciously, slowly and

mindful of the public sensi-

tivity to the issue and, last-

ing county and city-funded

paratransit services are

fragmented and do not

serve 25 per cent of the

transportation handi-

caped."

Also, "approximately 5.8

per cent (64,000) of the

county's population are

deemed transportation

handicapped."

Of that 64,000, 45 per cent

are 65 or older. Compared to

16 per cent of the popula-

tion, 33 per cent of the

64,000 have annual incomes

of less than \$5,000. The un-

employment rate among

the prime working years

(25 to 54) of the 64,000 is

more than twice as high as

the general population, ac-

cording to the report.

It was stated that a coor-

run pretty basic programs in our city, we've not had a lot of frills," she replies. The city grew so fast at first they had little time for more than just basic city government duties.

"Oh, there are a lot of programs I'd like to do, if I could put the staff people on," she says, "but I'm not anxious to do that unless I can see that no program is going to suffer that we have now."

The Ron Lindgren resig-

nation is an inevitable topic

during election, but Tirsell

stands firmly on the original

actions taken. "There is

an obvious reason why we

didn't say anything be-

cause first we have the

legal position," she answers

a query about the council

not speaking out. "We had

to be very careful because

under our personnel rules

and procedures the chief

could appeal for a hearing

in public or private, case

law is very unclear whether

the chief could have that

right or not."

She points out that in

such hearings the council

would sit as a quasi-judicial

body. "So therefore we

were very careful to main-

tain a certain amount of

objectivity," she says. In

that role, "you are not free

to say a lot of information

that is either condemning

or an indictment of any

sort."

Tirsell says she feels the

tax override was defeated

twice simply because tax-

payers don't want to spend

anymore. She says most do

not realize the local govern-

ment share of total taxes is

about \$150 to \$175 per home-

owner, which entitles the

homeowner to all city ser-

vices. "That's a bargain,

but that fact is not well

known to homeowners," she

says.

Discussing the long-term

service of Bill Parness as

city manager, she says,

"There's no city manager

going who can do it all, and

in my comparison with how

other cities function with



Helen Tirsell

Taxis: okay so far

LIVERMORE — It's been nine months since the Blue and White Cab Company took over this city'swaning taxi service from the Tri-Valley cabs, and so far business has been fairly reliable.

At least that's the opinion of Fran Vietor, spokesperson for Blue and White taxi service.

Trying not to follow the fate of Tri-Valley cabs, forced to quit operating for financial reasons, Blue and White has served about 45 to 50 customers per day and maybe more if the figure includes customers picked up between the hours of 6 p.m. and 6 a.m.

"Yes. Business picked up considerably," Vietor said about the taxi business during the 10-week AC Transit strike. "But we don't really see any great drop in business with the buses running. To our customers a cab is more convenient."

"It's simple," Vietor said. "A bus isn't going to come to their front door."

Blue and White maintains that customer average with only two operating cabs according to Vietor.

Since Blue and White's owner, Floyd Taylor, was approached by the city to run a cab service in May last year, the rates were stepped up to the following scale:

★ Ten cents per ninth of a

Education**Chabot TV for elderly**

If you have a television set with a cable hook-up, you can tune-in to a new series of daytime programs now through June designed for senior citizens.

Developed by Chabot College, the series is being broadcast at 8:30 a.m. each weekday on Cable Channel 12 by the Pleasanton Joint School District Media Center.

Each program will be repeated for a full week, to allow convenient viewing time. Programs last 45 to 55 minutes, and there will be 21 programs between now and summer.

The program this week is "Housing Choices," dealing with a retirement place to live. A survey of housing covers everything from owning your own home to low-cost apartment housing to mobile home living.

For the following week, beginning Feb. 6, the program will discuss "Long Term Care," various housing options available to the older citizen.

For the week beginning Feb. 13, the subject is "Physical Fitness."

For a complete program listing or for further information, contact Bob Scruggs, Coordinator of Media Services, at 846-4611.

Child care for volunteers

Volunteers participating in Livermore Valley Unified School District activities have been offered free child care service from Feb. 1 to mid-June at five 9 Arroyo Seco, Jackson Avenue, Portola Avenue, Rancho Las Positas and Arroyo Mocho.

All school volunteers are eligible and the centers will be staffed for six hours daily with personnel hired through a CETA on-the-job training program grant. Volunteers wishing to use the service but not working at schools with centers should contact the most convenient location to make arrangements. For further information call Kay Honodel, 447-9500.

Four on UCSB list

Four students from Pleasanton have achieved the Dean's List for the fall quarter at the University of California, Santa Barbara.

The students, their address and previous school are as follows:

Gary Allan Corrin, 4217 Cabernet Ct., a junior music major who attended Amador Valley High School; Gail Lee Henderson, 2870 Foothill Rd., a senior physiological psychology major who previously attended Chico State; Karen Elaine Olsen, 7261 Tulipwood Circle, a junior English major who previously attended Chabot College, and Deborah Sue Tockey, 6580 Lansing Ct., a senior aquatic biology major who attended Amador Valley High School.

Granada liaison forming

Granada High School's advisory committee, acting as liaison between the school and community on a variety of issues, is being formed and persons interested in joining are urged to contact the school now.

Granada alumni are encouraged to join as well as parents and local residents. A general meeting will be held at Granada's student center Monday, Feb. 6 at 7:30 p.m. to choose committee members from the listed candidates. For further information or to join the list call Granada, 443-5000, extension 20.

Suede sewing class set

Four sessions of instruction for sewing of imitation suede fabrics will be held in Livermore in February sponsored by the Livermore Adult School. Classes are scheduled at Livermore High School Thursdays from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m.

The lecture series will include information on techniques for working on fabric resembling suede, from inexpensive suede cloth to prestigious ultra suede. Instructor Ruth Eddington said enrollees would need to understand basic pattern selection and especially sewing napped fabrics.

Adults can register in the Livermore Adult School office, 3044 East Avenue from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday and from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Fridays. The registration fee is \$3.

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B of A grant competition begins

Local high school and community college students this week begin competition for \$295,000 in cash awards in the Bank of America's two annual scholarship programs.

Some 300,000 graduating seniors from virtually every high school in California will compete for more than \$210,000 in the Achievement Awards program, and more than 160,000 second-year students from California's 101 community colleges will vie for \$85,000 in cash in the Community College Awards program.

Faculty committees in each high school are now selecting top students in four general study areas — fine arts, liberal arts, science and mathematics,

and vocational arts. The individual school winners will compete March 26 with students from neighboring schools in semifinal zone events. Zone winners in Northern California will then move on to five regional finals and the chance to win one of 20 first-place awards of \$1,000 each. Second and third-place winners each receive \$750 and \$500, respectively. All other finalists receive \$250 awards.

In the Community College Awards program, faculty committees are selecting top students to represent their schools in four fields — business, science-engineering, social science-humanities, and technical-vocational. These students will compete March 29 in area events. Winners in Northern

California — two in each of the four categories — then move on to the finals April 27 in San Francisco. Finalists in each field there earn top awards of \$2,000 each. Second-place students win \$1,000 each and third-place winners receive \$500. All other finalists receive \$500.

This is the 30th year for the Achievement Awards and the 25th year for the Community College Awards, program coordinator Lee Gomez said. "Through the years the program has changed a great deal. Student participation has expanded, the number of awards has increased and new elements have been added to reflect the development and growth of the state's school systems."

Mori addresses employees

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tion improving their benefits. She is also representative for Area B, covering the seven Bay Area counties.

Installed as new officers of Chapter 155, California School Employees Association, were Wanda Robison, president; Archie Light, vice-president; Judy Rathbone, secretary; Colette Pleich, treasurer; Bev Ales, recorder.

Rich Spivey, Livermore Chapter, Area B of Region 41, served as the installing officer. John Garibaldi, 1973 CSEA president, was master of ceremonies.

Mrs. Robison presented Al Fischer of The Times with a plaque in appreciation of his newspaper column and articles dealing with classified employee matters.

Membership service awards were presented to Millie Mayhue, Audrey Johnson, and Jean Caporaso.

Special award of the year presentation and emcee duties were also shared by Erick Jensen, 1976 CSEA president.

— by Al Fischer



Karen Allen, left, passes president's gavel on to Wanda Robison who'll lead Chapter 155 of classified employees.

Teenage sex on the rise

NEW YORK (AP) — A nationwide report on adolescent sex shows a one-third increase between 1971 to 1976 in both premarital sexual activity and pregnancy among girls 15 to 19 years old.

However, the authors of the report said that learning about the dimensions of sexual behavior among female teen-agers does not help to explain that behavior.

"Far more study is required before we can hope to explain and understand the sexual and reproductive behavior of young Americans," they concluded.

The study, directed by sociologists Melvin Zelnik and John F. Kantner of Johns Hopkins University, was published Monday in Family Planning Perspectives — the journal of the Alan Guttmacher Institute, an affiliate of Planned Parenthood.

The 1976 study is based on 2,193 interviews nationwide; the 1971 study on 4,392. But the authors warned that the 1976 data on blacks is questionable because these teen-agers underreported the incidence of abortions.

The authors said they reached this conclusion because estimates of the number of children born based on the survey would be higher than the actual number of births.

Because of this and the fact that women living in college dormitories were not reflected in the survey the authors said they could not provide a margin of error for the results.

The percentage of white girls 15 to 19 who had experienced premarital intercourse rose from 26.3 in the 1971 group to 37.2 in the 1976 group, the report said. The percentage of whites having a first pregnancy rose from 6.4 to 9.3.

The 1976 study also reported:

— Four out of five pregnancies among teen-agers were conceived out of wedlock.

— Eight out of 10 premarital pregnancies among teen-agers who did not marry before the outcome of the pregnancy were unintended, about the same as among the 1971 group. Just one in 7 of those interviewed used contraception.

— The proportion of first pregnancies terminated by abortion about doubled from the 1971 group to the 1976 group.

— Adoption and foster placement declined substantially from an already low level. In the 1976 survey, all but 7 percent of the babies born out of wedlock lived with their teenage mothers.

Of all whites who had a premarital first pregnancy, only 36 percent married before the outcome of the pregnancy in the 1976 group, compared with 52 percent in the 1971 group. Only 9 percent married after the pregnancy in the 1976 group, compared with 12 percent in 1971.

Among the sexually active teens, out-of-wedlock childbearing declined by more than one-fifth between the two survey periods. The principle factor in this decline appeared to be the wider availability of abortion, the authors said.

Foothill student wins

PLEASANTON — Foothill High School senior Edward Wilkes is the winner of a monthly contest sponsored by the mathematics department of California State University, Hayward.

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THE SECRET INGREDIENT

On February 17, 1962, at 2:32 a.m., a large silver airship of the interplanetary mode landed silently in a field outside a small California town.

One witnessed the arrival of the vessel, the passenger who emerged from the shining ship, or the equally silent and graceful departure. Its flashing colored lights revealed the oaks and native sycamores and the foothills of the coast range south of the town as the giant vessel slipped away, unknown to the inhabitants of that part of the world.

By 2:45 a.m., Zarfcoom had walked to a nearby street, adjusted his watch beneath a street light, checked his wallet for money and his identification, picked up his suitcase, and instantaneously zapped himself to the edge of town, checking into a motel as John Singleton.

Zarfcoom was sent to earth from the Planet Socko for the purpose of finding out and altering whatever plans the earthlings might have made concerning space weapons. Zarfcoom could appear to be human in every way, but he was completely devoid of emotion, rather like a machine.

During the night, Zarfcoom set up monitoring devices in the motel room and recorded environmental data, which was sent back to Socko, as well as being recorded in his own extensive memory banks.

Every sound in the town was noted, analyzed and recorded, including all conversations and every function, mechanical physical and chemical within the radiation laboratory outside of town.

In the morning, Zarfcoom, who had assumed the appearance of a slightly graying earth man, walking along the street toward the bus stop leading to the radiation laboratory, picked up on his sensors some environmental phenomenon which disturbed him greatly, causing him to stop in his tracks.

The bleeps inside his head got louder and louder as he turned toward an ice cream parlor offering 33 flavors. He walked in and sat at the counter.

"What can I do for you?" said Harvey Morris, "What is your favorite for today, Sir?"

Zarfcoom looked at the list offered him. His sensors were whirring. The bleeping was almost painful, inside his head. A message was coming in from Socko, "Agent Zarfcoom, proceed with your mission. You must be at the laboratory by 10:45 a.m. to meet with the earth scientists and relay their plans. Agent Zarfcoom, come in, come in."

But for the first time in all of Zarfcoom's centuries-long spying he preferred not to answer the Socko control's call.

He looked down the list of flavors. Zing, Zing, Zing. His head was percolating with Zings and bleeps. "Should I have Pineapple Peanut butter Date crunch?" he wondered. "Or should I have Burgundy Almond French Vanilla?" Zing, Zing. Bleep. Poor Zarfcoom's head was bursting. And Socko was calling urgently, "Come in' Zarfcoom. It is now exactly 10:38 a.m. earth time. The meeting of the scientists is at 10:45 a.m. You must be there. You must fulfill your mission. You must influence the world's scientists to give up their plans for space defense weapons. Carry on with your mission."

"Perhaps Mint Cherry Maple Toffee, or Dacquiri Ice Bon Bon," thought Zarfcoom. "Then there is Mandarin Praline Chocolate Sherbet or Pecan Jamaica Chocolate Fudge. Or how about Nutty Cocoanut Pistachio Almond Mound?"

"You just take your time, Sir," Harvey Morris said patiently. "But, I may just have the flavor for you. I concocted it last night. It's called Peppermint Almond Rainbow Airship. The name just came to me about 2:30 a.m. It contains a secret ingredient," Harvey chortled.

Now Zarfcoom's sensors were pounding and the zings were overlapping one another. "That's it!" said the interplanetary space agent. "Give me Peppermint Almond Rainbow Airship."

"One large dish of Peppermint Almond Rainbow Airship coming up!" said Harvey, as he put five large scoops of the multi-colored dessert into a crystal footed bowl, and set it on the shining counter in front of Zarfcoom, stood back and smiled.

Zing, Zing, Zing. Zarfcoom was spacing out. "Come in, Come in," came the frantic message from Socko. But Zarfcoom had placed a mouthful of the sumptuous ice cream into his simulated earthling mouth with its taste-buds. "Zow, Zow, Zow, Zing, Zing, Zing. His whole sensor mechanism seemed to be going. Zarfcoom's head seemed to explode in a kind of ecstasy. He could no longer pick up the messages from Socko. The clock read 11 a.m.

"I'll have another dish of Peppermint Almond Rainbow Airship," said Zarfcoom, laughing for the first time since he took earthly form. "I knew you'd like it," said the cheerful Harvey. "I put in that secret ingredient, you know. I tried to think of the flavors that would be the most delicious, and the colors that would be the most beautiful. I love the people who come in here. I want them to enjoy themselves, so you might say the secret ingredient is love."

Zarfcoom had finished his second large dish of ice cream, and ordered another. He no longer heard bleeps or zings. He was just a slightly graying man named John Singleton who absolutely loved ice cream.

Nursing class

Twin Valley Red Cross will hold a special nursing class focusing on disasters for all R.N.'s and L.V.N.'s in the Valley who are interested in earning 10 hours of continuing education credits. The class, which costs \$3, will be held at the American Red Cross Building, 373 N. L Street, Livermore on Tuesday, Jan. 31 and Thursday, Feb. 2 from 4:30 to 10 p.m. Call 443-3911 to register.

Crab feed

St. Michael's CYO will sponsor a crab feed Saturday, Feb. 18 at St. Michael's Hall, Third and Main streets, Livermore beginning with no-host cocktails at 6:30 p.m. Dinner will follow at 8 p.m. and dancing to the band "Live Wire" will continue until 1:30 a.m.

The menu includes bread, potato salad, free beer and all the crab you can eat. Tickets are \$10 per person and are available at Ozzie Davis Toyota in Livermore, or by calling Jim Rogers at 455-0628.

Oriental art talk slated

George Fong, a collector of Oriental art for some 30 years, will present a lecture on Oriental Collectables Tuesday, Jan. 31 at 7 p.m. in Harvest Park School, 4900 Valley Ave., Pleasanton.

Fong, a retired Colonel USAF and graduate of the University of California, Berkeley, has traveled extensively in the Orient as an associate of Ching Wah Lee.

The presentation will be a chronological display of Chinese antique ceramics of the Neolithic period (2000 B.C.) through the Ching

Dynasty (1911). Displays of actual art and illustrated slide lectures are part of the program. Tuesday's lecture will be the third of four free lectures presented for the public by Amador Valley High School. Concluding the "Antiques and Collectables" series will be Frank Cherry, owner of a private collection of political memorabilia. The display and discussion of artifacts will take place Tuesday, Feb. 7 from 7 to 10 p.m.

For more information, call the adult education office at 462-0022.



Community-wide volunteer needs

The Valley Volunteer Bureau is a clearinghouse for the Valley community where human resources and needs are matched. The bureau maintains an up-to-date inventory of types of volunteers needed. To find out how you can help, call the bureau at 462-3570 or stop by its office at 519 Kottinger Drive, Pleasanton. Office hours are 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. weekdays.

AMONG CURRENT NEEDS

- Volunteers are needed in Pleasanton and Livermore to take library books to shut-ins.
- Volunteers who are over 18 are needed to be matched on a one-to-one basis to low-income Valley children needing and desiring a special adult friend.
- A seniors lunch program in Pleasanton needs daily volunteers to assist in serving the meal.
- Recreation aides are needed for youth living in Komandorski Village. Afternoon and evening programs need aides.
- Teacher aides are needed in a prison setting. Subject areas are basic math, English and business skills.



Marylin Ave. celebrates 20 years

Members of the "20th Anniversary Celebration" Committee for Marylin Avenue School in Livermore are seen making preparations to welcome former students, faculty members, PTA and PATO members, and friends of Marylin Avenue School on Wednesday, Feb. 15 at 7:30 p.m. in the school Multipurpose Room. Anyone who has been connected with the school during its 20 years of existence is invited. Shown here are Sandy Silva, Bette Withers and Dona Allen posting photographs of former students. Call 447-4330 or 443-3484 for information.

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Lifestyle

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Sunol offers hike variety

Area hikers and nature lovers can take advantage of the variety of free weekend hikes offered at Sunol Regional Wilderness in February.

On Feb. 4, Alice Ann Cantelow will take visitors along the "Waterfall of Little Yosemite." On Feb. 5, "Pools, Ponds and other Puddly Places" will be explored with Dick Angel. Bring boots.

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YOUR HEALTH DEPENDS ON THE NERVOUS SYSTEM

This column has frequently referred to "normal nerve function." We will probably use the term many times in the future. Today we will answer the question, "What is normal nerve function?"

In spite of what you have read, there is not much mystery about it. The purpose of this article is to set forth briefly in clear, understandable English how your health depends on your nerves and how those nerves can be kept in normal condition.

The nervous system of the body is like an electrical system. The brain produces nerve energy, or nerve impulses, just as a dynamo creates electrical energy. The nerve impulses are carried down through the spine and over the nerves to all organs and parts of the body. So, the nerves are like a system of wires that carry electricity to the points where it is to be used. The organs of the body do their work only because the nerves bring to them nerve impulses, just as electric machinery works only when electricity is carried to over the wires. So, the nervous system must be in normal condition if the many parts of the body are to do their normal work.

In other words, a normal body depends

on normal nerve function. Disease begins where anything interferes with the normal function of the nerves.

What do Chiropractors do?

They examine the spine to determine whether any of the vertebrae are out of normal position, thereby causing pressure on nerves that lead to vital organs and other parts of the body. When they find a spinal bone out of place, they adjust it to normal position to relieve the spinal nerves from pressure which interferes with their normal work.

Now you will understand why these spine specialists have been so successful in restoring diseased bodies to normal health. It is because of their skill in locating points of pressure on nerves, and removing the pressure, so that the nerves once more can do their normal work of carrying vital impulses to the organs of the body.

Chiropractic is applicable to a wide variety of diseases that affect the body and mind.

For more information on THE NERVOUS SYSTEM call Dr. R.J. Serafin DC at 846-4732 or write 60 Mission Dr., Pleasanton.

Kuhn decides Blue no Red

NEW YORK — Baseball Commissioner Bowie Kuhn rejected the trade of Vida Blue to the Cincinnati Reds Monday, but urged the two clubs to restructure the transaction.

The decision, announced by his office after Kuhn had left for Boston, was precipitated by the \$1.75 million that the Reds had paid Oakland owner Charles O. Finley for Blue, a 3-time 20-game winner.

Kuhn has placed an informal \$400,000 ceiling on the price any team could pay another club for an individual player. The Reds and A's tried to skirt that limit when Cincinnati included minor league slugger Dave

Revering in the Blue deal which was announced at baseball's winter meetings in Hawaii last December.

Within minutes of the announcement of the trade, Kuhn informed both clubs that he was withholding approval pending his examination of the transaction.

Finley and Reds President Bob Howsam spent two days testifying at hearings called by the commissioner earlier this month. There was an attempt at a compromise that would have sent other Reds players to Oakland and reduced the cash involved in the transaction. But, when that could not be worked out, the commissioner

stopped the deal, then suggested that the two clubs renegotiate during the second interleague trading period that runs from Feb. 15 to March 15.

In Cincinnati, the Reds said they would have no comment until they could study the 15-page decision.

In Oakland, Blue's attorney, Richard Seeria, said he would have no comment until he gets the decision. It marked the second time that Kuhn has refused to allow Finley to move Blue to another team. Nineteen months ago, the commissioner blocked the sale of Blue to the New York Yankees for \$1.5 million and also disallowed sales for \$1 million each of outfielder Joe Rudi and relief

pitcher Rollie Fingers to Boston.

Rudi and Fingers both played out their options with Oakland and moved to other teams as free agents with Finley receiving nothing in return. Blue, who had signed his contract just hours before Finley attempted to sell him in 1976, remained with the A's, and is one of the team's last links with Oakland's three straight world championship teams that dominated baseball from 1972-1974.

When those sales were rejected, Finley sued Kuhn for the \$3.5 million he lost in the transactions. The commissioner won the case in United States District Court in Chicago. Finley's appeal of that decision is scheduled to be heard in the United States Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit in Chicago Feb. 21.

Monday's decision apparently set up another court room collision between the commissioner and Finley, who has been a longtime adversary.

— by Associated Press



Charlie Finley poses with plastic smile Monday after decision by Kuhn.

MacPhail, Joss elected to Hall of Fame

NEW YORK — Leland Stanford (Larry) MacPhail, one of the game's first innovators, and Adrian Joss, a pitcher who died in the prime of life, were named posthumously Monday to baseball's Hall of Fame.

They were chosen by an 18-member veterans' committee and will be inducted Aug. 7 at Cooperstown, N.Y., along with Eddie Mathews, previously selected by the Baseball Writers of America.

MacPhail, known as the "Barnum of Baseball" for his initiation of night play, Old Timers games and other hoopla aimed at promoting gate appeal, made pennant winners of struggling franchises at Cincinnati and Brooklyn before purchasing the New York Yankees for \$2.8 million in 1945.

After the Yankees won the World Series by beating the Dodgers in 1947, he retired, telling his players in the dressing room:

"This is it — I am quitting. I made the promise to my wife. It's been tough but thank God I can go out a winner."

He sold his 96.88 per cent interest in the club and retired to an 800-acre estate in Bel Air, Md., not far from Baltimore, where he raised thoroughbred

horses and beef cattle. He served for a while as president of the Bowie race track.

After winning a bout with cancer and surviving 15 years after open heart surgery, he died Oct. 1, 1975, at age 85.

One of his sons, Lee, is president of the American League. Another, Bill, became a network television executive.

Joss, known better as "Addie," may be only vaguely familiar to the present generation because he pitched for the Cleveland Indians between 1902 and 1910. But his record was phenomenal.

He had a 160-97 won-lost record. Four times he won more than 20 games. He pitched 45 shutouts, two no-hitters, one a perfect game. His 1.88 earned run average is second only to Ed Walsh's 1.82 in the record book.

On April 14, 1911, just two days after his 31st birthday and two days before he was scheduled to pitch the opening game for Cleveland, he died of spinal meningitis. The veterans' committee waived the 10-year rule — the pitcher served only nine — to make Joss eligible for consideration.

MacPhail was a big, boisterous man, a two-fisted drinker and a chain smoker. He was tweaking the nose of the baseball establishment before generations became conscious of Bill Veeck and Charles O. Finley.

— by Associated Press

Boyd expects more from Trojans

LOS ANGELES — Coach Bob Boyd expects his Southern California basketball team to bounce back from its 83-71 loss to crosstown rival UCLA last Saturday night.

"I see no reason why what I felt was a poor game for us will reflect on our two games coming up," said Boyd Monday at his weekly meeting with members of the media. "We played very nervously against UCLA. We showed all of the shaky characteristics of a young team trying to beat a very good one on their home court."

The Trojans, 3-2 in Pacific-8 Conference play



Cheri Williams

Williams' 3rd good for a trip South

SAN FRANCISCO — Cheri Williams of Livermore finished third in Sunday's Bonne Bell women's 10,000 meter run in Golden Gate Park here.

Cheri, a senior at Livermore High School, was timed in 36:59. The third-place finish qualified her for next Sunday's National Women 10,000 meter Championship in Beverly Hills.

Williams finished behind winner Roxanne Bier of San Jose, who ran a 36:20 and Laurie Crisp of Modesto (36:49).

Over 900 runners began the race and 779 finished. Most of the runners were older than Cheri.

Williams competed for the San Jose Cinders in the event. Bier, 16, is a defending state high school champion in the two-mile from Independence High School of San Jose.

Zeman third Raider assistant coach to go

OAKLAND — Bob Zeman, defensive backfield coach for the Oakland Raiders for seven years, has resigned, the third Raider assistant to leave since the season ended.

Zeman confirmed Monday that he had resigned, saying, "I just didn't feel I could live within the system. It wasn't any one thing, but an accumulation of things."

Zeman, 41, a graduate of Wisconsin, followed linebacker coach Don

Shinnick, who was fired earlier, and special teams coach Joe Scannella, who resigned to become head coach of the Montreal Alouettes.

"The organization was super, but I stepped back and evaluated myself and I wasn't maintaining the standards I had set for myself," Zeman said. "I don't even have anything planned."

— by Associated Press

Dons visit MV in title quest

Amador Valley High School's wrestling team, with a one-match lead on Livermore and Granada, is approaching the East Bay Athletic League dual-meet title.

The Dons, who have already defeated Granada and Livermore, have a 5-0 mark going into tonight's match against Monte Vista in Danville. Livermore and the Matadors are 4-1.

In other EBAL matches tonight Granada is at Foothill (2-3); Livermore hosts California (0-5) and San Ramon (1-4) is at Dublin (2-3).

Monte Vista (2-3 in EBAL play) has fine quality wrestlers but lacks the depth in all weights that the Dons have.

Steve Potts, a veteran at 112 pounds, and Mark Hanna (95 pounds) are standout matmen for AV. Potts defeated Chanen Grisham of Dublin, 12-0, last week. Hanna has come through in the clutch for AV in the big matches.

Perhaps tonight's closest match will be the Dublin-San Ramon contest. Both teams have some good wrestlers and a close decision or pin instead of a decision could decide the match either way.



Granada's Sayana Saing (left) is armed out by Amador's Pat Cohan

and 10-8 overall, return to action Thursday night against California, 2-3 and 9-9. On Saturday USC faces Stanford. Both games will be played at the Sports Arena.

"If we can get two wins here this week and go up to the Bay Area next week and win two more, we will be in good shape in the conference," said Boyd. "And it's not wishful thinking that we can win all four."

The Trojans face the same two opponents away-from-home next weekend.

"It's premature to concede UCLA the conference title," said Boyd of the Bruins, who have won 11 league championships in a row and are 5-0 in Pac-8 play. "They are certainly in the driver's seat, though."

Boyd said he might be forced to make one lineup change this week if junior guard Steve Smith's injured knee continues to bother him. Smith has been hampered by an injured left knee all season.

"He was about 50 percent effective against UCLA," said Boyd. "His knee bothers him considerably. He has to have it drained regularly. One of his strengths was his quickness but that is curtailed a great deal now."

Possibilities to replace Smith include freshman George Ratkovich, sophomore Willie Brigham and junior Neil Arnold.

As far as Cal is concerned, Boyd said he is "puzzled to see that they are only .500 this season with the talent they have."

Stanford, the Trojans' opponent Saturday afternoon, "must be a good team to have beaten Providence," said Boyd. "We are supposed to beat them, but our team is very inconsistent and we could lose."

— by Associated Press

Falcons meet Gaels in EBAL boot tilt

Foothill faces a virtual must-win situation when it hosts Dublin in a key East Bay Athletic League soccer match this afternoon.

The Falcons are 7-3 while the league-leading Gaels are 9-0-1. A Dublin win would eliminate Foothill from tilt contention.

In other EBAL matches today Amador Valley (8-1-1) travels to Livermore (5-6), California (1-10) hosts Monte Vista (2-9) and Granada (7-1-2) is at San Ramon (0-9).

Amador Valley might be the hottest team in the league right now, having won three matches with ease since the Christmas break.

Cowboys now 7-1

The EBAL's new blood

Livermore High School's basketball team is in high gear now and poses a threat to Amador Valley's four-year reign as champion of the East Bay Athletic League.

The Cowboys took a 67-59 victory over host Granada late Saturday night to move their EBAL record to 7-1, a full game ahead of AV. The Dons polished off Monte Vista 59-44 and gained sole possession of second place with that win.

In other EBAL action Saturday night Foothill took its first league victory with a 56-46 decision over Dublin and California nipped San Ramon 52-50.

John Farfan and Dick Patterson sparked Livermore's offense as they hit for 23 and 19 points, respectively.

Behind 16-12 at the first-quarter break the 'Pokes outscored the Matadors 20-12 in the second period to take a 33-28 advantage into the lockerroom at halftime.

An early spurt in the third quarter helped put the game away for the Cowboys.

Farfan, who well a great game at guard, hit some key buckets in that stretch.

Rick Rosenbach banged in 19 points to lead Foothill to its win over the Gaels. Mike Buckley added 12 points and Steve Michael 11 for the winners.

The Falcons trailed by five points going into the third period but held the losers to six markers while scoring 17 of their own in that quarter to take a 39-33 advantage.

Chris Kearns hit for 13 points

and Ken Noble had 10 for the Dons in their easy victory over Monte Vista. Randy Woods tallied 12 points for the losers.

California evened its EBAL record at 4-4 as Chuck Cary tallied 20 points despite playing on an injured ankle. Daryl Lamb added 15, including two free throws with 20 seconds left to ice the contest.

Darrin Johnson and Scott Towns each had 12 markers for the Wolves.

The Grizzlies outscored San Ramon 15-11 in the final quarter to take the victory. San Ramon is now 2-6 after dropping its sixth straight game. The Wolves won their first two EBAL games of the season before hitting the slump.

Panthers edge Ironwoods

The Pink Panthers nipped the Ironwoods 2-1 in Livermore Girls' Soccer Under-19 action last week.

Chris Humrichouse and Michele Fields scored for the winners. Lynn Hunter tallied for the losers.

Judy Kelly and Paula Watkins combined for 19 saves for the winners. Kelly Porth and Sheila Torrez did well for the Ironwoods.

The Bachlor Buttons dumped the Snowfires 5-1. Phyllis Hurdlow, Michelle Payne, Donna Brown, Dennise Harris and Susan Ghiorsco scored for the winners. Lynn Kusko tallied for the Snowfires. Leslie Pons and Julie LeBow starred for the losers.

In Under-14 action the Orchids and Lotus Blossum struggled to a 0-0 tie.

Mellie Henderson and Deb Griffith did well for the Orchids while Dana Martin and Kris Kruger starred for the Lotus Blossum.

Sterling Silver topped the Lilacs 2-0. Kimberly Musay and Kathryn Colley tallied for the winners. Elizabeth Cowder was another standout for the winners. Tracy Keller, Cathy Thompson and Julie Dolan did well for the losers.

The Sweet Peas fell to the Blazing Stars 1-0. Rhonda Warren tallied for the Blazing Stars. Martina Fortner, Laurie Boyle and Cindy Kavannaugh did well for the victors. Cherie Patterson was good in goal for the Sweet Peas.

Under-12 action saw the May Apples and Rosebuds tie 3-3.

Donna McCullough had two goals and Chris Cadiz one for the Rosebuds. Shaun Marshall, Denise Briggs and Shaun Marshall scored for the May Apples.

Lisa Common, Candace Mayo and Chris Bennett did well for the Rosebuds. Angelica Arrowsmith had four goalie saves for the May Apples.

The Dust Devils and Sunflowers fought to a 0-0 tie. Jennifer Rozsa and Theresa Lawrence combined for 14 saves for the Sunflowers. Mary Zimmer and Karen Hagen did well for the Dust Devils.

The Candy Tufts and Golden Bells struggled to a 0-0 tie. Tiffany Wiseman and Gail Berham played well for the Golden Bells. Debba Miller and Kate Hintz stood out for the Candy Tufts.

The Rockets dumped the Plumerias 5-2. Lydia Meyer had two goals for the Rockets. Pam Johnson and Cheryl Reich had the losers' goals. Kara Mades added an assist.

The Hollies nipped the Dragon Lillies 2-1. Jennifer Pittenger and Tracy Van Meter had single goals for the Hollies. Jenny Bright had the losers' goal.

Under-10 action saw Lotus nip the Golden Poppies 1-0. Allison Smyth scored an unassisted goal for the winners. Aileen Theile was great in goal for the losers.

The Fireworks edged past the Snowflowers 1-0. Brenda McKee scored the only goal. Kelly Bright and Michelle DeBay did well for the losers.

The Misyletoes and Wildflowers fought to a 0-0 draw. Christy Watkins and Mandy Banfield starred for the Wildflowers. Heather Jensen and Robin Rogers each had four saves for the Wildflowers.

The Honeysuckles tipped the Snapdragons 2-0. Sheily Seible and Jeanine Alcantara tallied for the Snapdragons.

Nicelle Neto played good defense for the winners. Andrea Echer starred for the losers as did Michelle Brovillard.

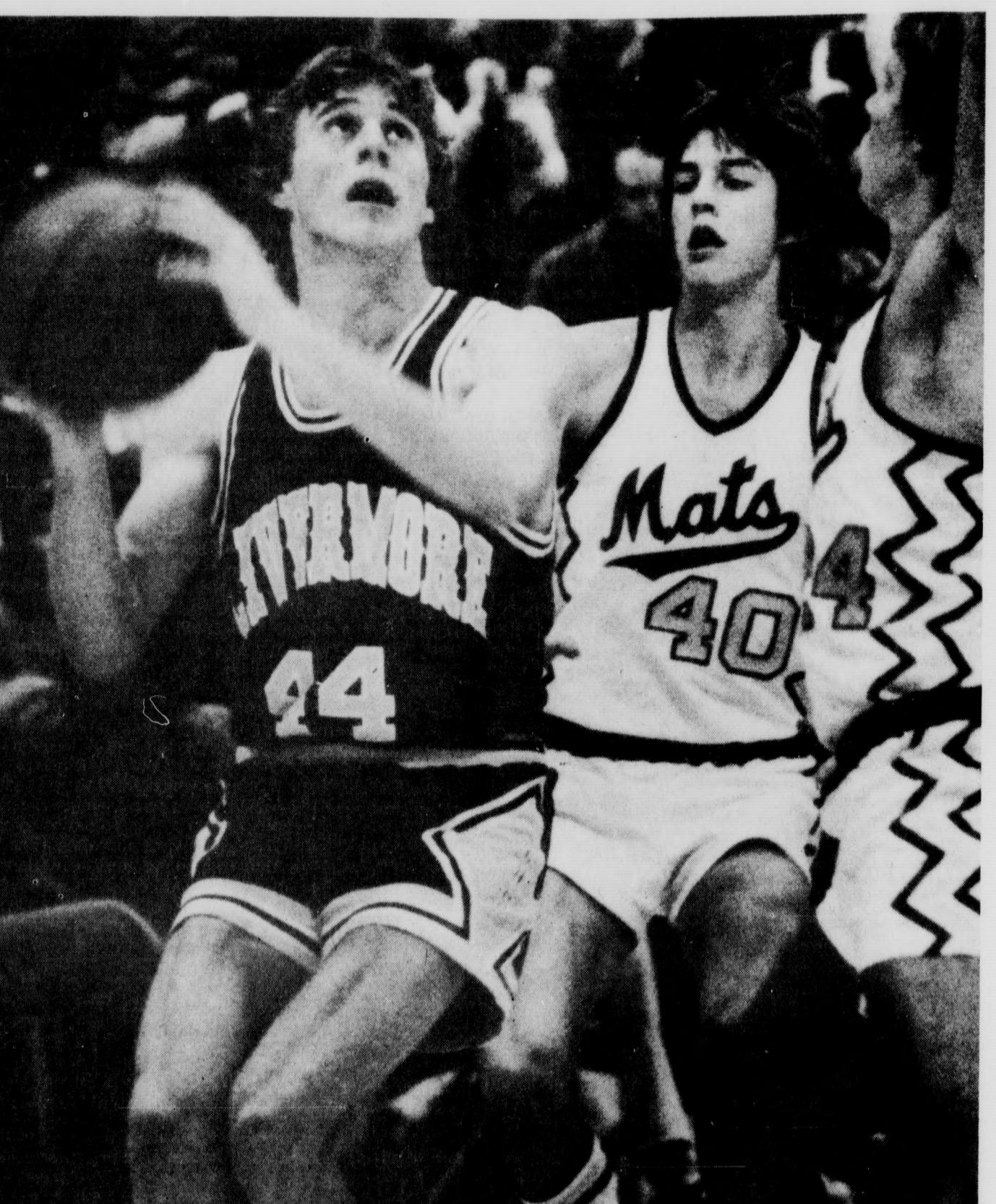
Under-eight action saw the Orange Blossoms top the Shooting Stars 2-0. Courtney Dishow and Melissa Mellivier scored the winners' goals. Tracie Miller had an assist for the Orange Blossoms.

The Flowers nipped the Tulips 1-0. Michelle Menchon had the winning goal. Brenda Scholl and Heather Woods did well on defense. Bobbi Bell, Cori Daniel and Cindy Rubio starred for the Tulips.

The Leopard Lillies nipped the Thistles 1-0. Joelle Carnes had the only goal. Nancy Chase was good in goals. Rachel Amador and Carol Baker did well all-around for the Thistles.

The Apache Plumes topped the Buttercups 2-0. Marla Johnston scored twice for the winners. Dina Wats had an assist.

Mara Morgan and Dana Correa and Angela Delgado did well all-around for the losers.



Dick Patterson of Livermore eyes a jumper while Pat Francisco looks from behind

Oxen hat trick key for Arsenals

Bill Oxen scored three goals as the Arsenals nipped the Pythons 3-2 in Under-14 boys' action of the Pleasanton City Soccer last weekend.

Jerry Johnson had two assists and Scott Hylton one for the Arsenals. Kevin O'Sullivan scored both of the Python goals. Jay Roast had an assist.

Rod Getty had seven saves for the winners. Leray Mueller had five for the Pythons.

Jeff Corbet and Mike Niethammer were defensive standouts for the winners.

The Pirates nipped the Spartans 3-0. Miles Hall, Kevin Moyer and Paul Chenkovich had the Pirates' goals.

Dan Hoppeck had two saves for the winners. Ron Halog and Tom Winge were defensive standouts for the Pirates and Matt Duffy also did well all-around.

The HotSpurs nipped the Spikers 5-1. Jim Ghidossi had four goals and John Gray one for the winners. Randy Gibson, Andrew Robers, Tony Guiles and Tommy Jones all had assists.

John DeZana and Carl Eby were defensive standouts for the Spikers. Tom Jones also did a good job.

The Nobles topped the Neutrons 4-3 in overtime. Mike Murray, Greg Peersky and John Polidory had goals for the Nobles. Rob Faggano, Sean Debalak and Bruce Rous scored for the losers.

Berry Moor, Duane Formeana and Mark Marteal were defensive stars for the Nobles. John Hohl also stood out.

Mark Kragen and Tim Tennent each had two goals for the Stars. Mike Gillette and Sean Salisbury added assists.

Danny Eveda and Darn Viethjammer were in goal for the winners. Jeff Stillwell and Mike Craig were defensive stars.

The Nordices beat the Nomads 4-1. Mike Benemels

had two goals and David Hubbard and John Abel added single goals. Mike Little and Jim Bricker were defensive standouts.

The Sharks nipped the Scouts 6-0.

In Under-12 action the Trojans nipped the Twisters 2-1. Brad Kaya had two goals for the winners. Rick Esquivel had the losers' goal. Aaron Hill had an assist. Brian Reich had three saves for the Trojans and David Bray five for the Twisters.

Glenn Friesen, Tom Gallup and Tim Poeter were defensive stars for the Trojans.

Danny Henry had two goals for the Turks as they took a 2-1 decision over the Tornados. Mark Eccles had the Tornados' goal. Mike Volkung had the assist.

Danny Welsh had five saves in goal for the Turks. Joel Cacia and James Wilson were defensive stars for the winners.

The Torpedoes edged the Tormentors 2-1. Shawn Duncan and Ricky Newman had the winners' goals. Ricky Newman and Stephan Telm had assists. Todd Cherry scored for the losers.

Robert Kelley had 12 saves for the Torpedoes.

The Toros nipped the Titanics 2-1. Curtis Bigelow had two goals for the Toros. Gary Mano tallied for the Titanics. John Creed had an assist.

Derek Liogian and Pat Buonsante were in goal for the Toros.

The Rangers smacked the Rowdies 4-1. Kenny Clifton, Brian Powell, Tim Rigsbee and Eric Knowles had goals. Powell had two assists.

Keith Ellison had 10 saves for the Rangers. Brad Sargent and Mike Murray were defensive stars.

The Terrors nipped the Tigers 2-0. Jeff Aiken and Rich Coffman had goals for the Terrors. Jim Galbraith had two saves for the Terrors.

The Roadrunners beat the Rovers 3-1. Ted Skinner, Kevin Pembroke and Jeff Ratteslee scored for the winners.

The Javelins nipped the Jaguars 1-0 in Under-10 action.

Keith Graves scored the only goal. Doug Schneider had four saves for the Javelins.

Kevin Marson, Sean Jepson and Scott Pender were defensive standouts for the Javelins.

The Greyhounds and Grizzlies fought to a 1-1 tie. David Griffin had the Grizzly goal. Chris Sheep had the assist.

Howard Clark had three saves for the Grizzlies. Jimmy Redding and Scott Allie were defensive standouts.

The Hurricanes and Dukes battled to another 1-1 draw. Mark Battleson had the Hurricane goal and Todd Tucker tallied for the Dukes. Scott Veatch had an assist.

Bobby Pellegrini and Mike DeBenedetti each had four saves for the Dukes.

The Giants blanked the Gators 5-0. Dickie McDonald had three goals and James Rogers and Marc Robel each had one tally.

Jim Bochner had three saves for the Giants. David Rich and Brett Durrett were defensive stars.

The Jets took the Jockeys 4-1. Jason Asbury had all four Jets goals. David Caufield tallied for the Jockeys. Jason Asbury, Rod Coffman and Jeff Johnson each had one save for the winners.

The Hawks and Hounds battled to a 1-1 tie. Jason Havens had three saves for the Hawks. Chris McDaniel, Steve Bell and Paul Batcheller were defensive stars. Larry Duff also did well.

The Highlanders nipped the Hot Rods 1-0. Scott Robson tallied for the Highlanders. Jimmy Stomer had an assist. Alec Matola and Steve Silva each had two saves for the Highlanders. Marcello Desio was a defensive standout.

The Barracads nipped the Bobcats 1-0. Andy Gordon scored on a pass from Colby Martin for the only goal. Doug Snodgrass and Eugene Upshaw were defensive standouts.

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Kurt Ottaway and Davis Maamy were defensive stars for the Bears. Stacy Stubblefield and David DeBernardi starred for the Braves.

The Badgers blanked the Chiefs 2-0. Benji Wilson and Griff Joyce scored for the Badgers. Paul Wellnick and Pat Grubbs did well all-around. Aaron Sill did well on defense for the Chiefs.

The Green Hornets beat the Eagles 2-1. Tom Pappas and Jeff Sandvra scored for the winners. Blake Feeney tallied for the Eagles. John Gard had three saves for the losers.

The Ensigns nipped the Fremont Hustlers 5-2. Mike Grant had two goals for the winners. Dave Hemp, Greg Reiter and Scott Bohner each added one goal. Rich Baker had two assists.

Gary Martin had two goals for the losers. Darrin Foreman and Johnny Gowalizak did well on defense for the Ensigns.

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Dons assume girls cage command

The battle for supremacy in the East Bay Athletic League girls basketball standings continues to be hard fought, with one exception.

Amador Valley is the lone school that remains undefeated, even after a tough clash with the Dublin Gaels last Thursday.

The Gaels, until that unfortunate meeting, had shared that number one spot in the EBAL with the Dons. They have dropped to second place with a 5-1 league record.

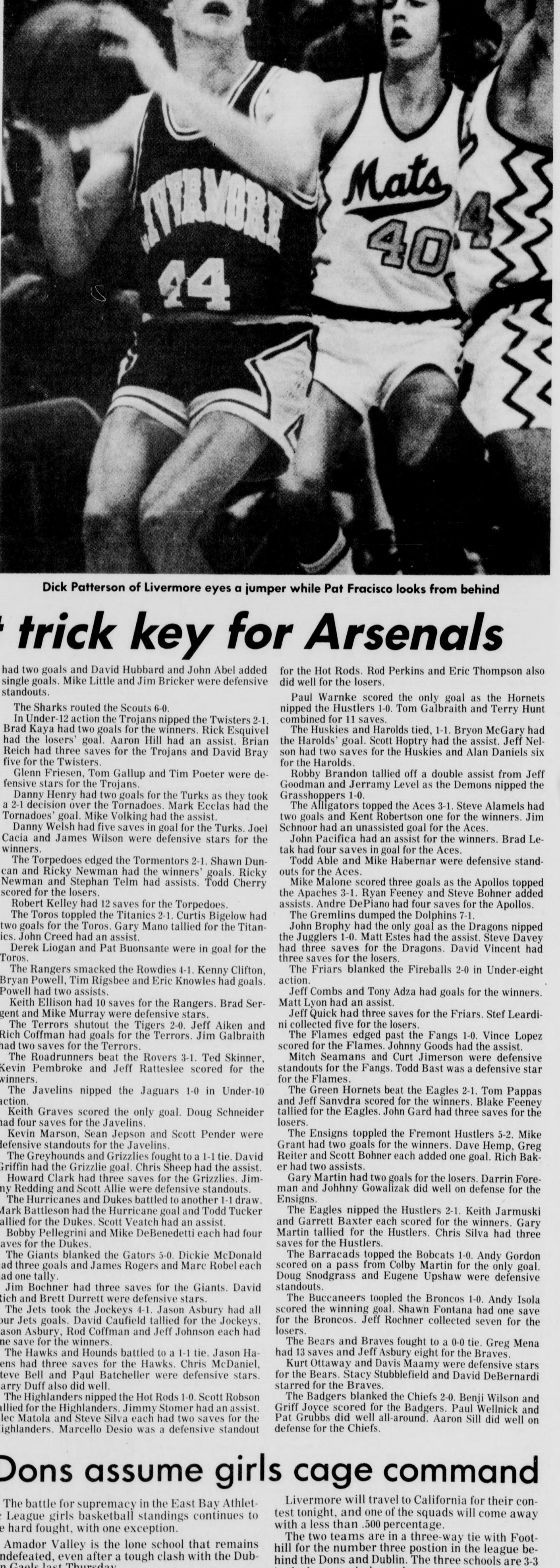
San Ramon, 2-4, will try and blemish the Gaels record even further, when they play host to Dublin tonight.

Livermore will travel to California for their contest tonight, and one of the squads will come away with a less than .500 percentage.

The two teams are in a three-way tie with Foothill for the number three position in the league behind the Dons and Dublin. The three schools are 3-3 in the league win-loss column.

Monte Vista, tied with San Ramon for fourth place, will try and top the bigger Amador squad, who will be without the home court advantage.

The luckless Granada Matadors, who have yet to register a league victory 0-6, will play host to Foothill. All of tonight's action begins at 7:30 p.m.



Livermore's Patti Shirley races Kim Iverson of Foothill downcourt in recent play

Scoreboard

Basketball

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By The Associated Press									
NEW YORK									
W	L	Pct	W	L	Pct				
Philadelphia	32	14	69%	Amador Vly	6	0	1.000		
New York	26	22	54%	California	5	1	83%		
Buffalo	16	28	50%	Livermore	3	3	50%		
Boston	14	30	31%	Foothill	3	3	50%		
New Jersey	9	39	18%	Monte Vista	2	4	40%		
Central Division									
San Antonio	29	18	61%	San Ramon	2	4	40%		
Washington	26	20	56%	Granada	0	6	0.000		
New Orleans	24	24	50%	TODAY'S GAMES					
Cleveland	22	23	48%	Amador Vly	7	1	75%		
Atlanta	23	26	46%	California	6	2	75%		
Houston	16	31	34%	Livermore	1	3	33%		
WESTERN CONFERENCE									
Denver	30	17	63%	Monte Vista	5	3	62%		
Chicago	26	22	54%	Granada	4	4	50%		
Milwaukee	26	24	50%	California	3	5	37%		
Detroit	22	25	46%	Dublin	2	6	25%		
Indiana	19	27	41%	Foothill	1	7	12%		
Kansas City	16	33	32%	SATURDAY'S RESULTS					
Pacific Division									
Portland	38	8	82%	Livermore	6	7	57%		
Phoenix	32	15	68%	Amador Vly	6	2	75%		
Seattle	27	22	55%	Monte Vista	5	3	62%		
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Capitol**ERDA's role in referendum**

WASHINGTON (AP) — A federal agency advocating nuclear energy tried to influence the outcome of a California anti-nuclear referendum but no laws were violated in the process, the General Accounting Office reported Monday.

The report was requested by Sen. Henry M. Jackson, D-Wash., chairman of the Senate Energy Committee, in connection with an Energy Department nomination hearing.

Robert Thorne, former director of the San Francisco office of the Energy Research and Development Administration has been renominated for the post of assistant secretary for energy technology in the Energy Department.

Questions concerning Thorne's role in government efforts to influence the outcome of the referendum contributed to delay in a committee decision on the an original nomination by President Carter last year. Carter resubmitted Thorne's name last week.

Resumed hearings before Jackson's committee on the Thorne nomination are expected sometime in February or March. Sen. Floyd K. Haskell, D-Colo., and Sen. James G. Abourezk, D-S.D., both have said they will continue to question Thorne's credentials on the grounds that the job he has been nominated for needs a man not partial to any one energy form.

The GAO report does not name any ERDA officials involved in trying to defeat the California nuclear safeguards initiative. It lost by a two to one margin on June 8, 1976.

GAO said, however, that it appeared that the San Francisco office of ERDA was not the "quarterback" in taking a pro-nuclear position concerning the referendum but "was carrying out the wishes of higher level headquarters officials."

GAO said it concluded "high level agency officials intended to present nuclear power in a favorable light avoiding an objective discussion of its drawbacks ... GAO believes that the agency, by advocating the absolute need for nuclear power, and failing to mention its disadvantages or problems, attempted to influence Californians to vote against the referendum."

GAO said ERDA, through its San Francisco office, significantly increased its public information activities in California, particularly in the form of energy exhibits, publications and speeches.

It described certain statements in a pamphlet called "Shedding Light" as "propaganda" and said that just before the California referendum ERDA "distributed 78,600 out of 100,000 copies printed to its offices and contractors in California."

"The agency's actions were not illegal because no federal statute prohibits federal agencies from taking actions to influence a state election or referendum," GAO declared.

Congress would have to enact legislation to avoid a recurrence, GAO said. It called on the Energy Department, which absorbed ERDA, to institute its own standards controlling its officials in state legislative or election activities and "monitor their application."

He'll ask satellite ban

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Carter promised Monday to ask the Soviet Union not to send up any more atomic satellites like the one that fell on Canada and said "we would be glad to forego the deployment of any such satellites altogether."

Calling for more rigid precautions among all nations, the President said the United States and the Soviet Union should try to develop a "sure-fire" safety system to keep such nuclear power satellites from falling to earth or into the atmosphere.

"If we cannot evolve those failsafe methods," Carter said, "then I think there ought to be a total prohibition against earth orbiting satellites. I would favor at this moment an agreement with the Soviets to prohibit earth orbiting satellites with atomic or radiation material in them."

Carter spoke at a nationally televised news conference, his second this year. He pledged to pursue the "failsafe" system and the atomic-satellite ban with the Soviet Union. Carter said the Soviets had told him their satellite was designed to be destroyed during its fall and that it would not explode.

The President said he knew no more than the public knows about what searchers have found in Canada.

Canadian officials said earlier in the day that two American wildlife scientists had found radioactive wreckage from the satellite, which plunged to earth Jan. 24 cutting a nine to 10-foot crater into ice on the Thelon River in the Northwest Territories. The wreckage was described as structural tubing and a smashed metal canister.

The two Americans showed no signs of radioactive contamination, the officials said.

At his wide-ranging news conference, Carter also said:

— Rejection of any phase of his tax, jobs and inflation-fighting programs could aggravate the nation's economic problems. He said success depends on "a very careful balance" between conflicting priorities.

If necessary, the President said, he would try to exert influence on Congress and through the American people to keep his programs intact.

— He has no intention at this time to intercede in the nation's coal strike by invoking the Taft-Hartley Act, which would require miners to return to work for an 80-day cooling off period. Nonetheless, he conceded that prospects for an end to the strike do not look good.

The President said he hoped the United Mine Workers and the coal operators would speed up a resolution to their dispute.

New flu shot fears dismissed

WASHINGTON (AP) — The risks from dying of influenza are 1,000 times greater than the risks of dying from vaccination, a government health official said Monday.

Dr. William Foege, director of the Center for Disease Control (CDC), made the assertion to a panel of experts considering whether to recommend a mass inoculation campaign against the Russian flu. The new flu strain broke out in Cheyenne, Wyo., recently and is expected to spread later this winter or next winter.

Foege sought to allay the fears raised by the problem-plagued swine flu inoculation campaign of 1976.

The swine flu inoculation campaign in 1976 came to a rapid halt after some persons who were inoculated contracted Guillain-Barre Syndrome, a paralyzing disease that can lead to death. The swine flu epidemic never occurred.

Although considered relatively mild, the Russian flu has spread rapidly among children in the Soviet Union and elsewhere in Europe and Asia. It struck more than 30

percent of children 14 and younger in Leningrad in recent weeks, according to reports relayed by U.S. health researchers who visited Moscow last week.

Russian flu is an A-type flu strain similar to viruses that caused outbreaks of flu around the world from 1947 to 1950. Fifteen states currently report widespread outbreaks of the more familiar A-Victoria and A-Texas flu, which also occurred last winter.

Americans between ages 24 and 50 are considered to have some immunity to the Russian flu, while children and young adults are the prime targets. Federal health officials said persons over 50 also are in the high-risk group, particularly because the elderly run the highest risks of serious illness or death from flu.

Although one drug-maker is preparing to start production of a Russian flu vaccine, the vaccine won't be ready for at least two months, when the current flu season will be drawing to a close.

Federal health officials decided last year that the in-

creased risk of Guillain-Barre was likely to occur with any influenza vaccination. The risk is up to 12 times greater for several weeks after the shot.

But the syndrome also occurs naturally among people who are not vaccinated. The CDC found that half the 1,100 cases of the syndrome reported nationwide from October 1976 through January 1977 involved persons who did not get swine flu shots. About 550 persons, half from each group, died.

Foege stressed that the risks from inoculation were relatively small, roughly one in two million, or 0.5 per million. That is less than the 0.59 deaths per million caused by lightning each year, he said.

Foege said six to nine cases of the syndrome occur naturally in each million persons annually. With vaccination, the number is four per million among persons aged 18 to 24, but 10 per million for those over 50. The overall death rate is 5 percent for those who contract the syndrome, but it is 12.5 percent for those 65 or older.

Support for mid-American

WASHINGTON (AP) — Treasury Secretary W. Michael Blumenthal, carrying President Carter's tax program to Capitol Hill Monday, learned quickly that Congress has a soft spot in its heart for middle America and the expense accounts of businessmen.

Few members of the tax-writing House Ways and Means Committee volunteered support for the package of tax cuts and revisions as the panel opened hearings on the proposals. And few vowed to oppose it.

However, Rep. Al Ullman, D-Ore., chairman of the committee, repeated his contention that the \$25-billion net tax cut proposed by Carter for 1979 is too large.

"I am still going to do my best to hold the reduction to \$15 billion to \$20 billion net, but we are going to have to give and take in all areas, so it will be a different mix altogether" than Carter recommended, Ullman told reporters.

The Carter plan contains tax cuts for individuals and business that are aimed at helping offset higher Social Security taxes and some effects of inflation. But the President also proposes to raise taxes on some taxpayers by eliminating various deductions.

As Blumenthal sought to justify the 30 separate parts of the package, members of the committee returned again and again to two themes:

— More tax relief is needed by middle-income Americans — generally those earning under \$30,000 a year.

— Forget about reducing or eliminating deductions for what has become known as the "three-martini lunch" and other business entertainment expenses.

Members of the committee raised more questions with Blumenthal about business expense accounts than any other subject.

Rep. Richard T. Schulze, R-Pa., asked Blumenthal if he, while serving as chairman of the Bendix Corp., had ever attended a lunch where someone had drunk three martinis. "Yes, but not if I had any control over it," Blumenthal responded.

Blumenthal admitted that Bendix had paid his country club dues. But as for using a company-owned yacht that had qualified for a tax deduction, Blumenthal replied, "I don't like water."

Present law allows businesses to deduct from income which is subject to taxation any ordinary and necessary business expenses. This has been interpreted, for example, to allow a deduction for buying lunch for a client or taking a potential customer to a football game.

The effect of such a deduction is for the government to pay about half the cost of that lunch or that football ticket. Carter wants to eliminate deductions for sports tickets, hunting lodges and first-class airfare and to halve them for meals.

Ullman, the committee chairman, agreed with several of his colleagues that additional tax relief is desirable for middle-income Americans.

Severs hand

LAS VEGAS (AP) — A North Las Vegas woman who cut off her left hand with a machete and saw it listed in guarded condition after doctors attempted to reattach the hand.

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U.S. trade deficit soars

WASHINGTON (AP) — The nation's trade deficit soared to a record \$26.7 billion last year, the government reported Monday, and a top administration official predicted a deficit nearly as large this year.

Imports of costly foreign oil were a major cause of the 1977 deficit, draining \$42.1 billion from American banks and pocketbooks, an increase of \$10 billion from a year earlier.

The huge trade deficit has been a chief reason for the decline of the dollar on world money markets in the past year. If the deficit continues as predicted, further declines in the dollar appear likely in 1978.

Both imports and exports set new highs during 1977, although imports grew much faster. The Commerce Department said imports of all goods totalled \$146.8 billion, a 22 percent increase, while exports totalled \$120.1 billion, a five percent advance from 1976.

The resulting deficit of \$26.7 billion was more than four times larger than the previous record deficit of nearly \$6.4 billion in 1972. The deficit a year ago was just under

\$5.9 billion.

President Carter's chief economic adviser, Charles L. Schultze, told reporters that the deficit in 1978 will be in "the neighborhood" of the 1977 deficit, although he forecast an improving trend over the next few years.

He said the size of the deficit depends in part on the demand for U.S. goods in other nations. Demand has been weak in such countries as Japan and Germany and the administration has been appealing to these nations to take steps to import more goods from the United States.

For American workers, the trade deficit translates into a substantial loss of jobs because it means Americans are buying many more foreign-made goods and products that foreign consumers are buying U.S.-made products.

Schultze acknowledged at a news conference that the nation's trade will be one of the things that will be closely watched by the administration in months ahead and which may have a bearing on the nation's overall economic performance this year.



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